

Foreword

In response to the shifting landscape of international politics, the most current TPQ issue focuses on “NATO’s Changing Priorities.” We present thirteen insightful essays for our Summer 2022 edition from prominent figures in academia, journalism, and nongovernmental organizations. Ten of these articles address the changing priorities of NATO in more general terms, while three others take this phenomenon in light of the effects of the most recent Russian invasion of Ukraine.

Several significant new difficulties for the global order emerged in the wake of the Russian invasion. NATO has proposed a new Strategic Concept, which was emphasized at its most recent Summit in Madrid, in response to these fresh concerns. TPQ explores not just the potential of this recent, significant document but also examines the more considerable consequences of it on the global stage. *Transatlantic Policy Quarterly’s* publication interests have always been significantly inspired by the Alliance’s agenda. We hope that by concentrating on NATO’s Changing Priorities in our Summer 2022 issue, we will be able to better inform our readers about the shifting framework of international relations.

Carmen Romero provides an exciting overview of the recent Strategic Concept outlined by NATO in its Madrid Summit. She correctly draws attention to the novelty of this novel idea in light of the circumstances surrounding its revelation. Additionally, she thinks that the important choices made at the Summit will guarantee that NATO keeps adapting and protecting its members in an increasingly dangerous and competitive world. An overview of these choices is given in this article within the framework of the Alliance’s increasingly erratic security environment.

E. Fuat Keyman highlights that the NATO summit in Madrid was significant and essential, but it wasn’t enough. To support his claim, he thoroughly examines NATO’s new strategic concept, its crucial significance, its transformational impact, and the six obstacles it confronts. As NATO today finds itself in a period of strategic rivalry, in his opinion, the organization’s most recent Strategic Concept reflects a very different threat environment. It acknowledges for the first time that the Euro-Atlantic region is “not at peace,” but instead that strategic rivalry and general instability threaten regional security.

Ahmet O. Evin offers a careful method that considers contextual circumstances. According to him, NATO now looks to be taking on the role of a champion for both the liberal order and the shared principles of the transatlantic Alliance. Moreover, he also focuses on the longer-term effects of the shifting dynamics in international

events on ordinary individuals by saying that unhappiness brought on by the stagnant economy, the growing cost of living, and perhaps energy shortages may be expected to expand the ranks of those opposed to the war and its effects on the quality of life in Europe.

We encourage you to find out more about the elements that make up NATO's Changing Priorities. I want to express my gratitude to all authors who contributed and put a lot of time and effort into it. Bringing you the newest edition has been a wonderful experience for TPQ crew. An important acknowledgment goes to our premium corporate sponsor Halifax. In addition, we would like to thank our online sponsor, and the sponsor of this issue, Monaco Economic Board. We also like to thank our other sponsors, Beko, Ford, Gordon Blair, Kalekim, TEB, The Ritz-Carlton, and Yapı Kredi for their ongoing support.

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